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1. Receipt is acknowledged of priority papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119. The papers have been placed of record in the file.
2. Applicant's claim for priority, based on papers filed in parent Application Number PCT/EP99/08579 submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119, is acknowledged.
3. The priority papers, submitted \_\_\_\_\_, after payment of the issue fee are  
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